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| In re application of:             | ) | Confirmation No.: 2420 |
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| Jean-Louis Baffier, et al.        | ) | Group Art No.: 2167    |
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| Serial No.: 09/872,235            | ) | Examiner: Miranda Le   |
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| Filed: May 31, 2001               | ) |                        |
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| For: TECHNIQUES FOR AUTOMATICALLY | ) |                        |
| PROVISIONING A DATABASE OVER      | ) |                        |
| A WIDE AREA NETWORK               | ) |                        |

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**Mail Stop Amendment**

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION AFTER APPEAL**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2007, the shortened statutory period for which runs until June 9, 2007. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the patent application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 24.